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Up-to-date in style, \$3.

Stiff and Soft Hats, brown and black, special makes, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

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Full stock, all kinds all prices, from 25c to \$1.50. Special drive in two styles, regular \$1.00 quality for 75c.

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Real Madras and Oxfords, stiff bosom, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

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Silks, plain and initial, 25c, 50c. Plain pure linen, 25c, 50c. Plain and fancy, 5c, 10c, 15c.

Men's Half-Hose.

Superior values in black and tan 10c, 15c, 25c.

Merino and Cashmere 25c, 50c.

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Buy Your Christmas Presents Now Before the Great Rush.

We most cordially invite you to an inspection of our large and excellent stock of useful presents. Never in our history have we shown such good values at such low prices.

The Very Best That Money Will Buy.

Men's Suits.

Our stock of Men's Suits embraces all the newest styles, perfect in every way. See our excellent values at \$5, \$7.50, \$10, \$12, \$15.

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Vestee Suits, Reefer Suits, beautiful styles, double seat and knee, lowest prices, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00.

Men's Overcoats.

Men's Overcoats and Ulsters, perfect in make and fit, grand values in all grades, \$5.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00.

Reefer Overcoats.

For the little fellows; also Ulsters and Cape Overcoats, handsome, useful and cheap, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00.

"Guess How Many Pins."

First and nearest guess we will give..... \$100.00

Second and nearest guess we will give..... 50.00

Third and nearest guess we will give..... 20.00

Fourth and nearest guess we will give..... 15.00

Fifth and nearest guess we will give..... 10.00

Sixth and nearest guess we will give..... 5.00

Christmas Morning.

IN
\$200
GOLD

HEER BROTHERS.



CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR.

Newest styles in Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands, Bows, etc., 25, 50c.

SILK MUFLERS.

Beautiful designs, latest effects, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, 1.50.

MEN'S GLOVES.

Lined and unlined Mocha and Kid Gloves, Jersey and Cashmere Buck, etc. Heavy working Gloves, all grades, 25c to \$1.50.

SUSPENDERS.

Christmas Suspenders in Silk and Satines, plain and embroidered 50c to \$1.50.

Cheaper grades 15, 20, 25,

PANTS.

Men's Cashmere Pants, good values, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00.

Never Rip Jeans Pants 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.65.

Boys' Knee Pants, 25c, 50c, 75c and 1.00.

Heer Bros.

BIG SURPRISE.

Chestnut Street National Bank,
Philadelphia Closed

By Order of the National Bank Examiners
—Wm. Singler Is President—Shrink-
age of Bonds and Notes—Judge
Pomerene Dead—Snow Storms in
the East.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 23.—The doors of the Chestnut Street National Bank were closed this morning by direction of the national bank examiner. Wm. Singler, as president of the Chestnut Trust company, in conjunction with the bank, has also suspended. Singler was also president of the trust company. The city had \$290,000 in the suspended bank and the state \$220,000. The loans and discounts are \$790,508; capital stock, \$500,000; deposits, \$2,035,856. Comptroller Eckels says the failure of the bank was primarily due to a shrinkage of bonds and notes of the Singler pulp mills at Elkton, Md.

Judge Pomerene Dead.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

Coshocton, O., Dec. 23.—Judge O. Pomerene was stricken with paralysis at breakfast today and died shortly before noon, aged 63. He leaves a wife, daughter and two sons.

Snow in New York.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

Watertown N. Y., Dec. 23.—Two feet of snow on the ground and still snowing.

President's Grandparents Dead.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 23.—Chas. S. Chapman and his wife died yesterday an hour apart. The husband died first from apoplexy and the wife died from pneumonia, not knowing of her husband's death. A singular coincidence was the death almost at the same time a few miles east of this place of the paternal grandparents of President McKinley, who are to be buried in the cemetery in this city.

Given Employment to 1,500.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—The tube mill of the Oil Well Supply company is about to start. It has been idle for years. The works will employ fifteen hundred men.

A Murderer Killed.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

Dubois, Pa., Dec. 23.—Stephen Spellen, who killed Michael Rober last night, was killed today while attempting to evade arrest.

For Chinese Waters.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

London, Dec. 23.—A special from Rome says it has been determined to send war vessels to China.

Markets.

By Telegram to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 23.—Wheat, 99½c; corn, 6½c; oats, 22½c.

Not what we say we'll do, but what we have done. Show the finest line of shoes in this city.

KENDALL SHOE CO.

The largest stock and colors of boys' express wagons at the lowest prices at H. D. Oberling's, 315 and 317 Chillicothe street.

Mixed nuts, 11 cents a pound, at John J. Schaefer's, 300 Chillicothe street.

Do not delay too long to examine the line of holiday goods at Amann's Pharmacy, 28 Gallia street. 22-2t

We have removed our stock from 612 Chillicothe street to 136 West Second, four doors east of Market.

G. ROSENBAUM.

Fine Christmas umbrellas, from 50 cents to \$3.00, at Flora Dellert's.

Dressing tables at Fuller Bros.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Tickle Your Palate

With these. They are good for Christmas or any other old day.

Raisins,
Apples,
Bananas,
Lemons,
Currants,
Oranges,
Coconuts,
Pop Corn.

And all kinds of candies and candy toys as well as nuts of all kinds.

G. W. HAAG & CO.

Corner Gallia and Offshore Sts.

ZOELLNER'S JEWELRY STORE

FOR

X-MAS PRESENTS

Open evenings. 10 per cent. discount on cash sales. The largest assortment, the best quality, the lowest prices.

PH. ZOELLNER, Jeweler,

135 West Second Street.

People of Good Standing IN THIS TOWN Are Standing in Our Shoes.

There is evidence of brain work about our shoes—they were conceived by brainy designers—they were manufactured by brainy workmen—they have the impress of brains all over them in style, value and service, and they are worn by Portsmouth's brainy people. Join the band of bargain hunters and examine our goods. The prices will make you happy. If you have friends and think of giving them a nice and useful Christmas present, you can make no mistake by coming here and select for them a nice pair of Shoes.

COLD PRICES ON HOT STUFF.

Ladies' Heavy Shoes, full stock Calf Lace, sizes 3 to 5. \$ 69
Ladies' Oil Grain Shoes, Lace or Button, worth \$1.50 for..... 99
Ladies' Calf Shoes, Lace or Button, worth \$1.50 our price..... 99
Ladies' Shoes of Calf Skin and made so that they never rip for..... 99
Ladies' Shoes, in Calf Kangaroo Calf, and Porpoise Calf, worth \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, our price..... \$1.19, \$1.24, \$1.39 1 49
Ladies' Button Shoes, Patent Leather Tips, worth \$1.60 for..... 99
Ladies' Box Calf Shoes, made by Sacks Shoe Co., worth \$3.00..... 1 74
200 Pair of Heavy Dongola Shoes worth \$2.50, our price..... 1 49
210 Pairs of Goodyear Welt Shoes, worth \$3.00, our price..... 1 75
160 Pairs of Fine Dongola Kid Shoes worth \$3.00, for 1 69
Ladies' Shoes worth \$3.25, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.00 \$4.50 for..... \$1.99, \$2.24, 2 49

400 Pairs of School Shoes made in Portsmouth and every pair guaranteed to be first-class, or we will repair them for you free of charge, our price is, sizes 9 to 12 for 69c, and sizes 13 to 2 for 99c. They are fully worth from \$1.25 to \$1.50.
300 Pairs of Mandel School Shoes from 99c to \$1.69. They are the best School Shoes on earth.
Boys' Heavy Shoes, sizes 3 to 5, worth \$1.25, our price..... 89
Boys' Heavy Shoes in Lace, made of Oil Grain, worth \$1.50..... 99
Boys' Heavy Shoes, sizes 3 to 5, the best kind worth \$1.75..... 1 19
Men's Heavy Shoes with buckles, worth \$1.50 for..... 99
Men's Shoes in Congress or Lace suitable for winter only..... 99
All of our Men's Heavy Shoes in Lace and Congress worth \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, for this sale..... \$1.24, \$1.39, \$1.45, 1 49
Men's Fine Shoes, Congress or Lace, worth \$1.50, our price..... 1 19

THE SAMPLE SHOE CO.,

Originators of Low Prices on Reliable Shoes.

517 Chillicothe St.,

Opposite Post Office.

CROWDING IN

Several Ironton Families Move to New Boston to Work in the Newman & Spanner Mill.

There is great bustling and busting up about New Boston these days. The prospect of the Little Kanawha mill about to start up has inspired new life in the little village. Messrs. Newman and Spanner are getting everything ready to start up the mill by the first of the year. About a dozen families from Ironton moved down bag and baggage Wednesday. Four carloads of household goods arrived. There is a great scarcity of houses and two and three families are crowded together in the same house in many instances. The New Boston population will be considerably increased by the Ironton delegation now moving in.

Lowney's, Sparrow's and Snyder's fine chocolate bon-bons in dainty boxes, just received direct from the factory. WURSTER BROS.

For a useful Christmas gift, examine the line of Enterprise meat cutters and jelly presses, at J. C. Hibbs & Co.'s.

No Clue Found Yet.

A mistake was made yesterday in regard to the name of the church which was set on fire by the boy at New Boston Tuesday night. It was the United Brethren church instead of the Free Will Baptist. No clue has yet been found to implicate anyone in the burning of the church.

Toys, popcorn, all kinds of oranges and fruits at Joe Sodaro's, 210 Chillicothe street.

Latest colors and shapes in hats at JONES, the hatter, 104 West Second street. 21-4t

Has Rented a House.

Perter Newman, senior member of the firm of Newman & Spanner who have purchased the Little Kanawha Lumber mill at New Boston, has decided to move in the vicinity of his mill in order to superintend the work. It is understood that he has rented the large brown house just west of Pat O'neley's building.

Christmas presents for ladies and gentlemen at lowest prices. Mrs. Frank Revare, 707 Chillicothe street.

Sixty Was the Lucky Number.

Ticket number 60, held by Mrs. John Thoman, of West Eighth street, drew the big room set raffled off by Mrs. Ratterman, of Chillicothe street.

Medallions for 25 cents at G. Rosenbaum's, 186 West Second street. 22-2t

See Fuller Bros.' chairs.

IN CIRCLEVILLE

Jim Flannery Says He Sold the Glockner Wheel, So the Sheriff Takes Him Up There to Find It.

James Flannery, the bicycle thief who has been in jail several weeks awaiting trial for stealing a bicycle from Alex. Glockner, was taken to Circleville today by Sheriff Riekey. Although it has been nearly three months since the wheel was stolen from the P. C. C. rooms on Second street, no trace of it has ever been found. It was first thought the wheel was sold in Waverly. Flannery said he sold it there, but all attempts to find it proved useless. A few days ago Flannery told a fellow prisoner in jail that he sold the wheel in Circleville. Sheriff Riekey was told the same story. Flannery could not remember the man's name to whom he sold the wheel, but he knew where he lived. The sheriff took him up there to find the man who bought the wheel.

A full line of hardware at prices lower than anywhere in the city at H. D. Oberling's, 315 and 317 Chillicothe street.

Married Last Night.

The wedding of John Gross and Miss Susan Rhodes took place at New Boston last night at the residence of the bride's mother. Miss Rhodes is a very popular young lady and is well known in this city. The Times joins with their many friends in extending hearty congratulations.

Toys, books and dolls at less than cost, as we are preparing to move. Mrs. Frank Revare, 707 Chillicothe street. 22-2t

Bigelow Lecture Course.

Dr. N. D. Hillis in the Bigelow lecture course Monday night. This is the lecture that was to have been given on the 10th. Dr. Hillis has a reputation as thinker and orator which ranks with Gungahlin and the other leaders of the platform. His theme will be "John Ruskin's Message to the Nineteenth Century."

The time is short, but you still have time to select your present at Amann's Gallia Street Pharmacy.

Salvator Beer.

Will be on tap at all first class saloons on Christmas day. No further recommendation of its excellent quality is necessary when we state that it is brewed by the Portsmouth Brewing company. Be sure to try it. 22-2t

See our line of pictures, worth \$1.50 for 75 cents. G. ROSENBAUM, 186 West Second street.

Bibles, books and albums at lowest prices at Schloss & Co.'s. 22-3t

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DAILY AND WEEKLY.

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J. L. PATTERSON, Editor and Manager.

Hanna will have to root hog or die.
Kurtz is after him with a sharp stick.

The Times is booming. Its daily and weekly lists are growing daily. It leads all others. Merit and neatness always win.

The independent and fearless press is the safeguard to liberty. The Times is not the mouth-piece of any clique, man or clan. Subscribe for the Times, the home paper of Portsmouth.

The gang and a few others went on a snipe hunting expedition a few evenings ago. Eylar has gone back to Adams county, and the last heard of Stevenson he was sitting in a fireless room in the old Tribune office holding the bag.

Ex-Convict Higgins, as spokesman of the gang of "tax-eaters," informed Eylar and Stevenson that the treasury of the city and county would be opened unto them should they buy the Tribune. But up to the present time they have not been able to realize on the Ex-Convict's promises. They didn't know Higgins' promises would, like Dead Sea apples, turn to ashes on their lips.

The gentlemen who are putting up the stuff—the men who have practically assumed the \$12,000 to \$15,000 indebtedness of the Blade—are the men who stand for Sunday observance; they are temperance men; they are church men; they are anti-Vickers and anti-evil in all its forms. We believe their professions. They are all gentlemen and good business men. We have every reason to believe they are all they profess to be, yet in the face of all this we can't for the life of us see how they can tolerate Ex-Convict Higgins running hard, and the gang of tax-dodgers, libertines, embezzlers, bums and toughs that infest the Blade office. If they are ignorant on these matters the Times can inform them as to the facts. We don't believe these men have any desire to attempt to fool the people. They are being deceived by Mr. Hard and the gang around him. They must bear the odium of hypocrisy so long as the Blade force is composed of the men that now dominate it. Reorganize the staff and cease to attempt to bring good out of Sodom and Gomorrah.

The silver question, despite the regulations and obituary of the goldists, still remains a lively and intrusive subject.

Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, who headed the silver commission sent abroad last summer by President McKinley, is reported as determined to break with the administration because of its bad faith on the silver question, evidenced by Secretary Gage's gold standard plan and the President's tacit approval of it. A speech is promised from the senator on the reassembling of congress, in which he will set forth the failure of international bimetalism and declare his adhesion to the American policy that the United States must act independently of Great Britain.

We think this is exceedingly probable. Senator Wolcott, a strong silver man, declined to follow his colleague, Senator Teller, and other silver Republicans out of the St. Louis convention on the ground that silver had more to hope from the Republican party than from the Democratic—that McKinley was a better silver man, for all practical purposes, than Bryan.

He was named on the silver commission as the representative of the free silver side of the administration, but now realizes that he has been badly fooled. When, having secured the cooperation of France and its agreement to the American propositions, the Wolcott commission went to England the proposals of the two nations were summarily rejected by the ministry. A short time prior the British government indicated a desire "to do something for silver" by opening the Indian mints and authorizing the Bank of England to hold a portion of its reserves in silver. This was all that France and the United States asked of Great Britain at this time, as preliminary to their adoption of free coinage. But instead of asserting the expected co-operation, the Wolcott commission and the French commissioners found the reverse to be the case, and their propositions were rejected.

The belief is strong that one of the great impelling motives of this change

was that in a quiet, diplomatic way the McKinley administration caused the British government to be informed that it preferred the gold standard should be retained. At that time Secretary Gage was "putting forth semi-officially" the financial program he recently submitted to the house committee, and which was intended, as the secretary declared, "to commit the country more thoroughly to the gold standard."

Senator Wolcott is now said to realize the administration, to put it mildly, was insincere in sending the silver commission abroad, while at the same time it was making its plans in America "to commit the country more thoroughly to the gold standard."

That there was insincerity and bad faith, it seems to us, has been demonstrated beyond all doubt. The McKinley administration at home was doing its best to nullify the efforts of the McKinley silver commission abroad. —Pittsburg Post.

At Nye's.
Pure, fresh, clean drugs on sale at Nye's. And quite a fine display of pocket-books and perfumes rare laid out in grand array.
His holiday goods are quite the best. But prices are not high. And his toilet-sets and picture-frames would fill an artist's eye.

There's sterling silver novelties. There's banjos and guitars. There are violins and French harps. And excellent cigars.
Handsome mirrors, opera-glasses, And stationeries fine. Prophylactic tooth brushes And mandolins divine.
Nor did Win forget the children In his purchases this year; He has Huyler's finest candies And rubber babies dear.

Besides all these, there are other things Too numerous to mention; And then he gives to all who buy Such kind and prompt attention. 21-3t

Grand Entertainment.
The Pleasant Green Baptist Sunday school will give a cantata, "Merry Christmas," on Friday, December 24th. The proceeds are for the benefit of the Sunday school. Admission, 10 cents. All are invited.
MISS L. E. PARKER, Supt.
MISS KATIE RYANS, Sec'y.

See the line of Roger Bros.' silver-ware and get prices.
21-4t
J. O. HIBBS & Co.

Valuable Present.
Every customer who buys 25 cents worth of goods at H. D. Oberling's, 315 and 317 Chillicothe street will receive a valuable cook book, containing over two hundred recipes. This is the Housekeepers' Friend. Helen Johnson, editor of Table Talk, is the author. It needs no better recommendation. Be sure you get one. 22-3t

Miss Flora Dellert is making a special sale on baby caps this week. She has a fine line and her prices are very low.

In the Clough vs. Clough Case.
In the famous Clough vs. Clough divorce and alimony case at Chillicothe Judge Maynard handed down a decision. Alimony was fixed at one-third the undivided interest in the Crookham farm and \$2,500 in cash. The interest in the farm is valued at \$16,000. The case will be appealed.

Folding beds from \$10 up, at Fuller Bros.
Kendall Shoe Co. for holiday slippers.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury, as well as the adult. All who try it like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java; but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. One-fourth the price of coffee, 15 and 25 cents per package. Sold by all grocers.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

Thousands are suffering exorbitant misery from that plague of the night, itching piles, and say nothing about it through absence of delicacy. All such will find an instant relief in the use of Doan's Ointment. It never fails.

No Cripe

When you take Hood's Pills. The big, old-fashioned, sugar-coated pills, which tear you all to pieces, are not in it with Hood's. Easy to take

and easy to operate, is true of Hood's Pills, which are up to date in every respect. Safe, certain and sure. All druggists, 25c. C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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HOLIDAY BOOKS.

500 Popular Titles.

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An unequalled display of Beautiful HOLIDAY HANDKERCHIEFS. Special values at 10c and 12½c. Big bargain line at 15c. Finer grades at 20c, 22c, 25c and 30c. Better qualities at 40, 50, 60, 75, 80c and \$1.00.

Dolls Our elegant assortment of Dressed Dolls is fast being picked over. They are selling like the proverbial "Hot Cakes." Have still about 50 beauties left. Bring the children in and let them see them. Undressed Dolls, all sizes and prices.

Christmas Bargains.

In Warm Stylish Jackets.

Twenty-five new, up-to-date Jackets at X-mas Bargain price of \$3.50. The Jackets can not be duplicated in the city for \$5.00.

CONNOLLEY'S STORES.

WHAT To Buy for Christmas

And where to buy it. Let us help you in this. We have just what you want and for a small amount you can buy much more than usual. See us before buying, we can save you money.

Prescription Druggists,
Seeborn & Co.
Second and Chillicothe Sts.

Agents for
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And True to Name.

I have one lot of trees from the well known firm of Storrs & Harrison, Painesville, Ohio, and another lot from James C. Bingham and Sons, Russell, Ky. These people are careful and reliable and will tell you that I ordered nothing but first class goods. Come and see the trees, get prices and you will be pleased.

SAM T. KENYON,

Droeg's Grove Place, first house east of base ball ground, north side Gallia Pike.



Helpful Holiday Hints.

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Sidewalks

Of brick or stone, curbing, grate setting, stone work of all kinds promptly done. Estimates furnished promptly.

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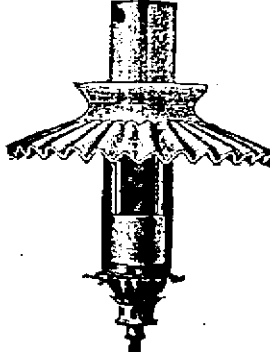
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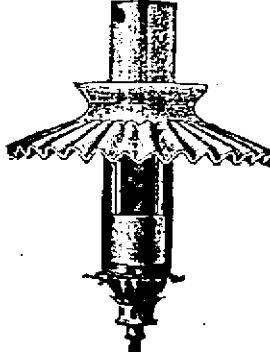
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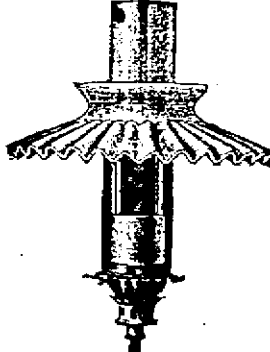
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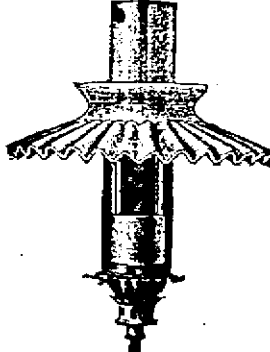
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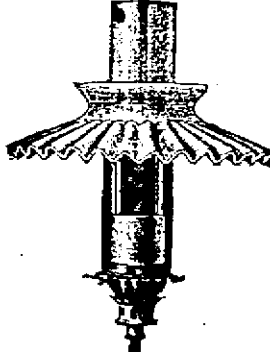
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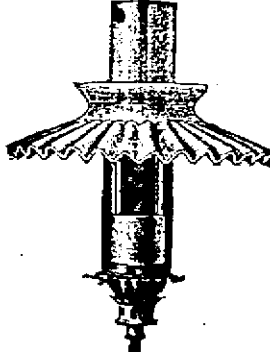
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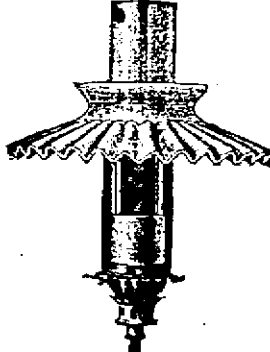
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Cold Cure cures colds in the head, colds on the lungs, old colds, new colds and obstinate colds, and all forms of grip. Stops sneezing, discharges from the nose and eyes, prevents croup, diphtheria, pneumonia, and all throat and lung troubles. These pleasant little pellets are absolutely harmless, have saved thousands of lives and prevented much sickness. The Munyon Remedy Company prepare a separate cure for each disease. At all druggists 25 cents a box. If you need medical advice write Prof. Munyon, 1205 Arch Street, Philadelphia. It is absolutely free.

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Handkerchiefs

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Clemens Bros

305 Chillicothe Street.

We have bought a big lot of Handkerchiefs, drummers' samples, at a price that will astonish you. So if you want Handkerchiefs come to Clemens Bros. We will sell them at a reduced price as long as they last. Samples are generally the best goods.

a feast forthe holidays in
our perfume department.

200 Fancy Boxes Quadruple extract, large bottle, each.	25c
200 beautiful boxes cut glass stopper bottle, best extract each.	50c
200 dainty boxes in hand-some bottles, best extracts each.	75c
100 Ladies' Delight springle top bottles, best extract, each.	\$1.00
Special bargain perfume, 4 oz. handsome bottle.	75c
Perfume Atomizers, best and cheapest in the city, all guaranteed, 25c, 50c, 75c, to.	\$1.25

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Second and Court Streets.

Good Watches,
Ladies' and Gents'
Set Rings,
Gold and Silver
Bracelets.

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Sold at
Reasonable Prices.
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Something New.

The only place in the city where you can buy the Motor Coasters, Engines, etc. Here you will find all the toys of the Dayton Patents. Something new. Why go to Cincinnati to buy them when you can buy cheaper here? The finest lot of Books, Toys and Periodicals in the city can be found at the store of

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Will interest every man in Portsmouth who expects to build or repair houses. Weather boarding from \$3 to \$13. Flooring, pine and poplar from \$15 to \$20. Shingles from \$1.75 to \$2. Turned columns for porches 75c to \$1.25. Brackets and stair work, store fronts and interior finishing a specialty. Estimates given on all kinds of wood building at

A. W. Ackerman's Planing Mill,
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SANTA'S MAILAnother Batch of Letters to His
Royal Whiskers.

His Little Subjects Will Go Early to the
"Land of Nod" Tomorrow Night—That
Is Santa's Special Message to the
Times—Some Late Letters for
Santa's Hasty Perusal.

Dear Santa clause—I thought I would write you a letter so you would not forget me I am going to have a christmas tree and will leave the front door open so you can get in be sure to bring me a pair of gum boots a hobby horse and a whip and please bring me a stocking full of candy an oranges and nuts from WILLIE DONAGHY.

Dear Santa Clause—I take the opportunity to write through the Times, as I think you will surely read it. I am a little boy ten years old. I would like to have a pair of skates, a book and ladder and a air gun bullets and overcoat and cap if you don't bring me any thing bring the skates at least. Yours truly, LITTLE FOOTBALL.

Dear Santa Clause—My name is Eliza Frowine I live at 628 Gallia St. Please bring me a horse hitched to a wagon and a bridle and harness if you have any and a gun that shoot and horn; and bring my sister Bessie a nice doll that will go to sleep and some dresses and aprons for her Bess baby and a cupboard for to put her dishes in and a book, we are trying to be good every day bring me some more trains and engines. From Eliza Frowine to Santa Clause.

"Gimpy" says his little sister wrote this letter, but the hand writing is imitatively that of a Times press-feeder.

Dear Santa Claus I will soon be 16 years old an I wish you would leave me a Candy Cane long enough to walk on I got my finger hurt not very long ago I think that you sawe me Sandy if you was looking through your spy glass I am that little boy of mammas an I am a good little boy for mammas says so papas says I am a good little boy when I am asleep o yes don't forget sandy to leave me some candy an nuts. My Name Is little Gimpy Roach. I live 28 West Eighth St.

Dear Santa—Bring me book and ladder and a nice big doll and wooden gun and a nice cap and a pair of kid gloves and some nice candy and nuts. There is a little girl and a little boy that lives next door and don't forget them. I will go to bed at eight o'clock and shut my eyes tight I won't look indeed I won't.

ALBERT FREDIE WARD.

I live at 168 West Fourth street.

dear old Santa Claws:—i wisht you wud bring me a nice sled, pare of skaitis boxin glove punch bag engin magest lantern hooken ladder a billy gote team and a nice whip like Billy Emes a orange a bag of candy popcorn and nuts and a crismas tree with pandle and books a mother goose book and jak and the gint kiler i am a good little boy and do not worry my gran-mother any more at all. Goodby deer Santa Claws and be sure and come to see me a crismas your little boy, DODE CARLTON.

Dear Santa:—Will you please bring me a doll some candy and nuts and dishes. I go to school and I have got a nice teacher I will go to bed early and shut my eyes real tight. I live on 10 St. 149. FLORENCE FARLEY.

Deare Santa:—please bring me a doll and buggy and dishes and some candy I will go to bed early. I live on 10 St. 149. LULA FARLEY.



It is not so much the amount of coal that goes into the fire box that causes waste, but the amount that comes out of the smoke stack. What goes into the fire box may be economy; what comes out of the smoke stack is waste. You will find Ashland and Clinton coal economical. It gives the best results and will pay you to use it, either for heating or steam purposes. You can buy coal for a low price, but you get a low-priced coal. If you use Ashland or Clinton coal you will find it goes farther, gives better satisfaction, makes less soot, and wastes less than any other coal. Try it, and convince yourself by leaving your order at the Ashland coal office, corner Third and Chillicothe streets, where all orders will receive prompt attention. 22-St D. E. EDWARDS.

The purest wines and liquors can be found at Jacob Findeis', corner Third and Market streets.

Constipation is the cause of all sorts of serious disorders of the blood. Strong cathartics are worse than useless. Barcock Blood Bitters is nature's own remedy for troubles of this sort

\$1.00.

Dr. E. Detchen's Diuretic

Dr. E. Detchen's Anti Diuretic may be worth to you more than \$100 if you have a child who soils bedding from incontinence of water during sleep. Cures old and young alike. It arrests the trouble at once. \$1. Sold by Wurster Bros., Druggist, Portsmouth, Ohio.

OTHER SANTA CLAUS LETTERS.

Dear Mr. Santy Claws:—I am a real good little boy and some bad, boys they call me Sister Hard coz I am good which is not right. Please Santy I want a nice doll baby with long yellow hair and blue eyes and pigeon-toed feet, a rocking chair, a rattle, a drum, a whalebone whip (to whip Jackson with) a cat a dog a pot of paste a bottle of seltzer—I don't drink whisky and a gun to shoot Mr. Patterson with and a him book and a prair book and that's all Mr. Santy. Now you please smile coz you wont live long if you dont and bring me and I'll be much obliged to you, so I will. Yours Truly,
CHARLIE HARD, Blade office.

Dear Santy:—I want a pop-gun and a rattle-box and a horn and a drum and the postoffice and a bag of candy and that's all. Yousee, PHILLY OLARK.

Dear S. Claws:—I want you to bring me a rattle-box bigger 'an Phils Olarks, also a horn a drum a air gun a nigger in the wood pile and a small bot with suthin stronger 'an beer. Your own boy,
JIMMIE DAWSON.

Dear Santy:—I am a wee twenty little feller and I go to sleep every night at eight o'clock and close by eyes tight so I cant see you. Now peeze pretty peeze Santy bring me a rockin chair a fife two dozen oranges and some candy and a bag of money like what I spent to feed Mark Hanna and that's all.
JOHNNIE MILNER.

P. S.—And oh yes, send me a gun to shoot burglars with.

Dear Santy:—I am a purty little pale faced boy and I go to bed at eight o'clock every night which aint so and close my eyes tight and I want a pony a flash of picter cards to look at a punch and judy show a rattle and two of them liquid things what Jimmie Dawson got. Your little boy,
J. OLEAVER.

Dear Santy:—I am a nice boy what likes the gurls and I want a horn, a doll baby a air-gun to shoot Lambs a doll baby buggy and a jumpin jack and a bag of candy and that's all.
FLOYDIE M'ORMICK.

Dear Santy:—I want to be let alone so I do.
JOHNNIE HIGGINS.

Dear Santy Claws:—I want a bottle of famery water, some soap, a rattle a tin horn a drum and some candy and I'll be your own honey boy.
PARSON TRACY.

Walker serves nothing but the finest extra-select oysters, at 35 cents per dozen, or 20 cents per half-dozen fried. This includes bread and butter, coffee, French fried potatoes, pickles and cold slaw. Oyster stew 15 cents. Give him a call.

Home-made saques for babies at Mrs. Frank Revare's, 707 Chillicothe street.

Ed Wilson on Christmas Tide.

Christmas is not a theological dogma. It is an appeal to the human heart. No one reasons about Christmas or sets up a formula of doctrine. He simply opens his heart and hand and feels glad. That is celebrating the beginning of Christianity. That is recognizing the great birth in the cave nineteen centuries ago. It belongs to the human heart. The star that shone over the manger is the morning and evening star that shines through all ages. The song that filled the air that night still brakes in melody over every soul that listens. You cannot put into words all the glad tidings of that eventful night. It is all humanity's eternal dream.—Ironton Register.

You'll miss half your life if you fail to read our "ad." tonight
L. & E. YEAGER.

For useful Christmas presents go to JONES, the hatter, 104 West Second street. 21-4t

Officers of the Baptist Church.

The First Baptist church elected the following officers to serve the ensuing year: Trustees, R. Bixler, N. Molster, D. W. Gates, U. G. Drake and Isaac Woodruff. Mr. Gates was elected secretary and Mr. Drake treasurer. Ushers were elected as follows: Ohas. Gillen, W. H. Whitney, Allen Oook, U. G. Drake, Ed. Peebles and Geo. Gates.

H. D. Oberling, 315 and 317 Chillicothe street, has the best assortment of pen knives to be found in the city at 25 cents. Examine them. They are extra fine.

Holiday handkerchiefs, one cent to 50 cents, at Flora Dellert's.

Little Folks' Christmas Party.

Invitations have been issued by the bright little pupils of Miss Emma Bell's Kindergarten for their Christmas party to be given in the school room Friday morning, December 24th, at 9 o'clock. The little folks are anxiously awaiting the hour. They anticipate a happy time and will not be disappointed.

The cheapest and best place in the city to buy fresh nuts, fine candies, etc., is at Joe Sodaro's, 519 Chillicothe street.

Candies, nuts and everything in the grocery line at the lowest prices.
JOHN J. SCHAEFER.

H me for the Holidays.

The query, "What was attracting so many young ladies to Win Nye's drug store last evening?" was answered when it was found that Dr. Will Sellards was home fresh from Ada college.

What do you think? Best English walnuts, two pounds for fifteen cents, and everything else equally as cheap at
H. E. LANGDON & Co's.

Sanford, Varner & Co's

Practical Presents for Practical People.

Don't worry as to what you shall buy or where to buy it. Come to us—we will help you make a selection that will please. Glance over the list and see if we have

Just What You Want.

Silk Mufflers, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c and 50c.

Plain White Silk Handkerchiefs, 20, 25, 50, 75c, \$1.

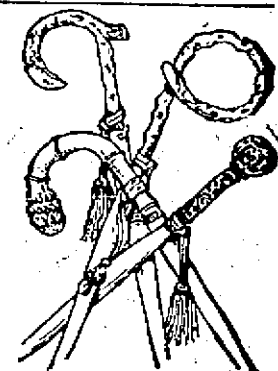
Fancy Japanette Handkerchiefs, 15 and 20c.

Plain and Fancy Linen, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40 and 50c.

Puffs, Tecks, Four-in-Hands, String Ties 25c and 50c.

Umbrellas—Silks and Glorias, \$1, \$1.50, \$3.50, \$4, \$5.

Dress Gloves, lined or unlined, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

**The Celebrated Elgin Shirts \$1.**

The best shirt on earth for the price. All styles, open back or front, regular or shirt bosom, or coat shirts, white or fancy colors.

FREE!

A HANDSOME WATCH

Given with each cash purchase of \$10.00 or more.

Men's and Boys'

Suits and Overcoats.

Remember we make them ourselves and sell at manufacturers' prices, thus saving you at least 20 per cent. from regular retailers prices.

Smoking Jackets.

At Half Price. We will sell any Smoking Jacket in our stock at just one half the regular price.

They Must Go.

Mackintoshes

For Men and Boys.

A Leader.

Men's Black Diagonal Cape Mackintosh for \$1.99.
Men's \$1.99, \$2.25, \$4, \$5, \$7.50, \$10. Boys' \$2.25 to \$3.50.

THE LEADERS,

Sanford, Varner & Co.**A Christmas Present**

With every Cash Purchase of One Dollar and Over. Our store open ever evening this week.

Muffs at \$1.00 and \$1.50. Medallions at 50c and 60c each. More to come in a day or so. Fancy Baskets, 5c to \$1.00. Down Pillows, 40c to \$1.25. Table Covers, a tempting lot ready for your inspection.

Muslin Underwear just as cheap as the material would cost you.

Purses 5c and upwards.

Handkerchiefs 1c to 75c.

Small Dresden Clocks \$1.25 to \$1.75. Parlor Games, etc., etc.

Gloves and Mitts

Of all kinds to suit everybody. Some very choice Dress Patterns at Half Price. Our Cloak Department is offering some very tempting bargains. In our Millinery Department, all trimmed Hats at half price. All fancy shapes. Walking Hats, etc., at half price.

MARTING BROS. & COThey Are
Delighted,

The ladies who look at our millinery. Our stock is

Extensive and Complete

And our prices are right. We cordially invite you to

Come In

And inspect for yourself.

Mrs. Welchens.

207 Chillicothe Street.

Special Low Prices for Cash Only.

1 lb new buckwheat.....	4c
1 lb can good baking powder.....	5c
1 10c box toilet soap.....	5c
1 25c box toilet soap.....	15c
All package coffee.....	10c
1 lb new barley.....	5c
1 qt navy beans.....	5c
1 gal best sorghum.....	30c
2 lb best California apricots.....	25c
2 lb best California prunes.....	25c
2 lb best California peaches.....	25c
3 lb good California prunes.....	25c
2 large mackerel.....	5c
1 lb codfish.....	5c
1 lb wise cakes.....	10c
1 lb lunch milk crackers.....	8c
1 lb butter crackers.....	5c
1 lb oyster crackers.....	5c

Hello!

Telephone your orders for Groceries, Vegetables, etc., to No. 801, as that is the number of the Cheap Corner Grocery.

JOS. H. LANGE'S,

Cheap Cash Grocery. Gay and Gallia St.

J. J. ORLETT'S,

Cor. Fourth and Court Sts.

SOCIAL NEWS.

Pretty Wedding at the Hadley Home on Market Street.

Mr. Thomas P. Dellert and Miss Florence Hadley being united in marriage at a New Boston wedding—Mr. and Mrs. Hadley, hosts of the occasion.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley B. Hutchins, on East Second street, was the scene of a very enjoyable social event last evening, given in honor of Miss Amy Thompson and Mr. Raymond York, whose wedding will take place on Christmas night. Miss Thompson is a cousin of Mr. Hutchins.

With pretty holiday decorations the parlors of this pleasant home were even more bright and attractive than they always appear with their artistic furnishings.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins stood near the doorway of the north parlor, while Miss Thompson and Mr. York received their young friends in the room adjoining. Miss Thompson wore a very stylish and becoming gown, the combination of the pale gray skirt of corded silk with bodice of deep cream satin draped with gauze, being very effective.

The guests numbered about forty, thirty-six of whom participated in the card playing. All were young people, with the exception of the relatives of the guests of honor.

The markers were promptly distributed and the places at the tables found, a delightful dinner being served at 6:30. Immediately after dinner the tables were made ready for the game—six-handed euchre. For scoring the highest number of games, Mrs. A. C. Thompson and Mr. Will Schwartz received the favors, a dainty Venetian vase and a pretty picture, "Con Amore." Mrs. Thompson had won fourteen games of the eighteen played, while Mr. Schwartz was successful the "unlucky number" of times. Mr. Schwartz played a game with Mr. Paul Franklin to decide a tie.

Wells and Roy, the two interesting young sons of Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins, ably assisted both in the serving of the dinner and in scoring the games.

There was a very pretty wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hadley, on Market street, last night, when Miss Florence Hadley was united in marriage to Mr. Thomas P. Dellert. The ceremony was performed promptly at eight o'clock by Rev. D. S. Tappan, of the First Presbyterian church. There were about fifty of the intimate friends of the contracting parties present. After Mr. and Mrs. Dellert had received the congratulations of the guests the wedding supper was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Dellert will go to housekeeping on West Second street, the groom having recently furnished a home for his bride.

The contracting parties are well known and popular young people. Mr. Dellert has been connected with the Western Union Telegraph company for many years. He entered the local office ten years ago as messenger boy. His rise was rapid and he is now one of the finest operators in the company's service. Miss Hadley is a charming young lady and has also been in the office of the Telegraph company here for some time. The best wishes of many friends follow the young couple.

Invitations for a large reception to be given Friday evening, December 31st, Mr. and Mrs. Enos B. Moore and Miss Mary Y. Moore to receive at their home on West Fourth street from 7 to 11 o'clock. The event will introduce to society a younger daughter, the many guests being invited "to meet Miss Lucy Moore and Mr. Ralph G. Moore." The latter is a student at Cornell.

Fine towels, linen table cloths, napkins, stand covers and fancy handkerchiefs at Mrs. Frank Revare's, 707 Chillicothe street. 22-2t

The best assortment of holiday goods, suitable for presents for rich and poor, at Schloss & Co.'s.

Dr. Vickers Misquoted.

To the Editor of the Times:—In the Engineer report of my remarks at the funeral of S. A. Miller there was a serious typographical error, which reappeared in last night's Times. The quotation from Seneca's "Blessed Life" should read as follows: "I will live and die with this testimony—that I loved good studies and a good conscience; that I never invaded another's liberty, and that I preserved my own."

By turning "liberty" into "library" the point of the application is lost. Respectfully, THOS. VICKERS.

C. P. Stamm has opened up a plumbing, steam and gas-fitting establishment at 213 Market street. See him when you need work in his line. Telephone 283.

See JONES, the hatter, for a fine line of holiday neckwear. 21-4t

Julia Marlowe Will Not Act.

It is a matter of regret to many Portsmouth people that Julia Marlowe will not be able to appear in Cincinnati this week. The Post said today that she would not appear during the week, being very seriously sick. A number had arranged to go to Cincinnati tomorrow and Saturday to see the talented actress.

O. H. Harris, the popular jeweler, is meeting with unbounded success with his holiday sales. Fine goods and extremely reasonable prices combined will attract the people. 22-2t

Confectioner's sugar at Carson's.

PERSONAL.

John Shepherd is in Cincinnati this week.

Mack Jones, of Wamsley, was in the city today.

H. Cooper, of Carter, Ky., was in the city today.

Will Sellards is home from college at Ada, O., to spend the holidays.

Arthur Bagnon went up to Morehead, Ky., today for a week's hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cook, of Porter township, left via C. & O. for Carnegie, Ill., to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart, of West Second street, are visiting relatives in Columbus.

Miss Laura Esselborn is home for the holiday vacation. She is a student at the University of Cincinnati.

Henry Halderman, who has been attending college in Cincinnati, returned at noon today to spend the holidays.

C. F. Turner, wife and baby will leave tomorrow evening for Cambridge to spend Christmas with Mrs. Turner's relatives.

Arthur Murphy, who has been attending school at Pennington, New Jersey, will return tomorrow to spend the holidays.

Conductor G. Severs, of the B. & O. S-W. mail, and wife left today for Athens, O., to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Jas. E. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. George Herder will go to Columbus tomorrow to spend Christmas with their son, Engineer Will Herder, of the N. & W., and his wife.

Thornton Pratt, son of Prof. D. P. Pratt, is home from Marietta college to spend the holidays. Mr. Pratt is business manager of the Marietta, the college paper.

Fred W. Gookel, the popular traveling salesman for B. Augustin, the wholesale grocer, with his good wife and little son Thomas left on the steamer Bonanza Tuesday night for Cincinnati, where they will spend a day buying presents and then spend Christmas with Fred's parents, at Patriot, Ind.

Mrs. Lyon Liston and Mrs. Paul Fratz, accompanied by their husbands and younger sister, Miss Mae Broomall, of Cincinnati, will spend their Christmas with their father, Ole Broomall, of 607 Market street. Mr. Liston, the genial representative of the Union Pacific railroad, is well known here in railroad and Masonic circles. Mr. Fratz is the hustling junior partner of a builders' general supply house and is considered as one of Cincinnati's future business men.

Ladies' fine calf foxed polish—the best street shoe on the market today. You will have occasion to wade through slush and snow more than once before this winter is over. Try them. KENDALL SHOE CO.

POLICE DIDN'T SEE HIM.

George Mitchell, the West Side Man, who Assailed Howard Newman, Comes Back to Town and Is Unmolested.

Several months ago, it will be remembered, a George Mitchell, living over about Union Mills, made a cruel, unwarranted and cowardly assault on young Howard Newman, of this city. Newman was riding a bicycle when Mitchell came up behind him and attempted to run his horse over him. A charge of assault and battery was filed against Mitchell, but the police and constables so bungled that Mitchell made his escape and was not arrested. He went out West, where he has been living with some relatives ever since. Wednesday he came home to visit his people on the West Side and Thursday he was in town nearly all day doing Christmas shopping. Of course the police did not see him. He was in town again today.

Don't fail to see the grand display at E. L. Gates & Co.'s Friday evening. Something new.

See our line of children's high chairs and rockers. G. ROSENBAUM, 22-2t 136 West Second St.

Christmas in School.

A very pleasing program, appropriate to the Christmas season, will be given at the Fourth street public school building tomorrow morning, beginning at 8:30 (standard). It will consist of a number of bright recitations and songs and two pretty little cantatas, "A Chime of Silver Bells," by twenty-three girls and "Good Time With Santa Claus" by twenty boys and girls.

The program has been arranged by Miss Maud Moore, the popular and efficient teacher of the ungraded school, the pupils of her school participating, assisted by Miss Mame Brandel, who will preside at the organ, and Miss Edna Jordan, who will accompany her on the violin. All are invited.

Cleanliness is health. We invite inspection of our candies and fruit. MYRES, 69 West Second St.

The purest wines and liquors can be found at Jacob Fideis', corner Third and Market streets.

One Drunk.

Henry Bronghton, a Scioto Furnace man, was the only arrest made by the police last night. Bronghton was drunk. Policeman Ingles arrested him. He was assessed the regular \$4.50.

Cigars, pipes and leather cigar cases—a grand variety—best line in the city. WURSTER RROS. 22-2t

Go to Flora Dellert's for everything in the line of ladies' underwear.

We Wish You All A Merry Christmas.



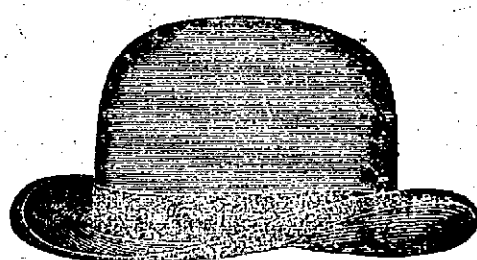
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Also the largest and finest line of canes ever shown in Southern Ohio from

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Look in Our Windows.

J. EISMAN & CO.,

121 and 123 West Second Street.

RIVER NEWS.

River 28 feet and stationary. The Bonanza went up this morning. The Nesbit will be down this evening.

The only place in the city to find fresh nuts and fruits is at Joe Sodaro's, 219 Chillicothe street. 21-3t

Go to Stamm, the plumber, at 213 Market street, when you want work done. Telephone 283.

Florida Oranges AND X-mas Goods

Of all kinds at the Co-Operative Store, cor. Ninth and Findlay, next to J. W. Dodge's paint shop. Phone 263.

WANT COLUMN.

FOR RENT—A five room house in good condition with good cellar, cistern and hydrant, at No. 15 East Sixth street. Inquire at 187 East Ninth street.

WANTED—The return of a pair rubber boots lent to a certain party several weeks ago, Mathew Thompson, 12 West Sixth street.

FOR RENT—House on Monroe street, in the East End. Inquire at 71 West Third street.

FOR RENT—A house suitable for a boarding house, at No. 15 East Sixth street. Inquire of Thompson & Krick.

LOST—A sterling silver bracelet. Finder please leave at the Times office.

FOR SALE—Four room house, lot 60x123, at the corner of Sixth and Union. Will sell cheap, and on easy terms. Inquire of Mrs. C. V. Nave. 21-3t

Yule Tide Suggestions For Busy Shoppers.

Mufflers, 25c to \$2.00.

Suspenders, 10c to \$2.50.

Silk Neckwear, 25c to 75c.

Night Robes, 75c to \$1.50

Dress Gloves, 50c to \$2.

Dress Shirts 50c to \$1.50

Men's Suits \$3 to \$18.

Boys' Suits \$3 to \$16.50.

Children's Suits, 98c to \$7.50.

Men's Overcoats \$2.50 to \$18.00.

Boys' Overcoats \$2.50 to \$16.50.

Children's Overcoats \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Children's Reefers \$2.50 to \$7.50.

Guess on the Marbles

\$200

In Gold Given Away January 1st, 1898, to the fifteen nearest guessers. Every Cash Purchase Entitles you to a guess.

Silk Handkerchiefs 25c to \$1.00.

Men's Handkerchiefs 10c to \$1.00.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs 1c to 35c.

Men's Underwear 25c to \$2.00.

Children's Underwear 25c and 50c.

Cuff Buttons 25c to \$1.00.

Leggins \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Waists 20c to \$2.50.

Trunks \$2.50 to \$18.00.

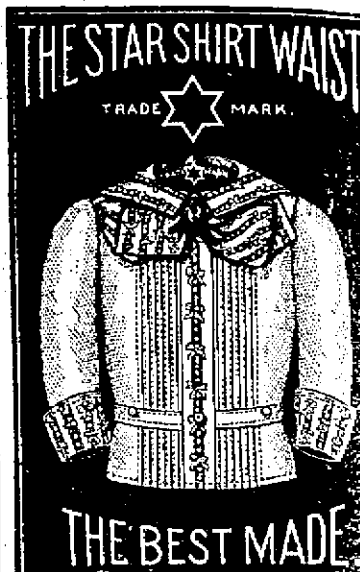
Valises 75c to \$7.00.

Telescopes 60c to \$2.00.

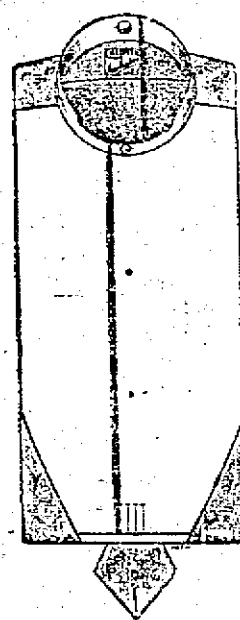
Suit Cases, \$5.00.

Mackintoshes for Men, Boys and Children, \$2.50 to \$15.00.

Goods Delivered.



Our Children's Department is full of the latest novelties that would make handsome presents for the little ones. A large and varied assortment of Waists, Leggings, Ties, Stockings and headgear are here for your selection.



All kinds, all styles, all makes of shirts are carried by the Big Store in an endless variety. See our window display of up-to-date colored shirts at \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50. Also a full line of laundered goods can be had here at 50c, 75c.

We wish you all

A Merry Christmas.

Sensational - Handkerchief - Sale!

We have just received a manufacturer's line of Sample Handkerchiefs which we will sell tonight and Friday at one-third of their original value. Don't miss this opportunity.

Steahly Bros.

313 Chillicothe St.

Between Third and Fourth.



"Christmas Dreams"

Come in different shape to almost every one now. Gift hunters will find it very easy to make selections from our stock.

Rings of all descriptions. Cuff Buttons, Diamond & Opal Studs. Chain Bracelets. Hat Pins and Stick Pins. Gentlemen's Watch Chains. Ladies' Watches and Chains. Silver Novelties. Opera Glasses. Diamond Pendants. Souvenir Spoons. Hair and Cloth Brushes, solid silver. Clocks the latest styles, etc. Everything good value. 10 per cent discount on all sales.

Ed. Lee Feyler,

81 W. Second St.

Store Open Every Evening.

Musical Goods.

A large Amount of Holiday Goods just received.

Doors, Sash, Blinds, etc. Call at 82 West Third Street and we can do you good.

J. B. GILSON,

PORTSMOUTH, OHIO.

ONE QUAIL

Killed by Dolph Glockner Cost Him
Twenty-Five Dollars.

Fined That Amount by Squire Hall for
Shooting Game Out of Season—Was the
Next Day After the 10th—Could not
Resist the Temptation.

Dolph Glockner is the first of the city quail hunters to be arrested for shooting quail out of season. Deputy game warden Kelley preferred charges against him before Squire Hall. Dolph pleaded guilty and was fined \$25 and costs.

Mr. Glockner was out hunting in the neighborhood of Harrisonville on the last day of the open season. The next day as he was coming home a covey of birds flew up near the road presenting such a fine shot that Dolph let drive at them before he had time to think about game law. He killed one bird but did not pick it up. Some boys saw him shoot and went and found the bird. The matter was reported to deputy warden Kelley and charges were preferred against Mr. Glockner before Squire Hall. He was given the lowest possible fine provide by the game law, \$25 and costs.

Other violations of the game law have been reported to the game wardens and the next few weeks are likely to develop several prosecutions.

THE CYCLONES

Take the Measure of the Live Oaks and
Now Claim the Championship of the
City—The Score.

The Live Oaks and Cyclones played off the tie which has held them for several days. The game had stood two to two and last night the Cyclones took the series and claim the championship of the city. The game was played at Wertz's alleys. The Cyclones are probably the best in the city, but the Centrals will give them a run for their money. The following is the score of last night's roiling:

LIVE OAKS	1st	2nd	3rd	5th
Evans	146	168	185	143
Chabot	138	136	132	131
Griggs	58	135	174	131
G. Clark	119	91	133	144
F. Clark	128	137	167	142
	631	607	791	691

CYCLONES	1st	2nd	3rd	5th
Thornton	160	134	160	138
Konutz	122	135	120	134
Krieb	163	123	140	149
Biddle	125	188	132	157
Johnson	109	165	146	130
	679	745	707	708

SUDDENLY RECALLED

Were the Invitations to the Wedding of a
Prominent Ironton Couple.

Considerable comment has been caused here by the sudden recalling of the invitations to the wedding of Mr. Ezra Dean and Miss Nixon, a prominent young Ironton couple well known in this city. Invitations were received here a few days ago, the date of the wedding being December 29th. Yesterday notes were received recalling the invitations. No explanation was given and the matter has caused considerable speculation.

New goods just received. See E. L. Gates & Co.'s bargain windows. 22-3

Was a Small Forgery.

Sheriff Starbox, of Xenia, came down Wednesday and took young Ed. Banks, the colored forger, back with him. It seems that the forgery was for a very small amount. Some other boys had a hand in it also.

Christmas cards, calendars and booklets at low prices at Schloss & Co's.

Bought the Old Homestead.

It is understood that a deal was closed today whereby Mr. Ed. Coriell became the owner of the old Coriell homestead, on West Sixth street. He purchased the interests of the other heirs. It is understood that Mr. Coriell will occupy the house.

Fine Christmas umbrellas at from 50 cents to \$3.00 at Flora Dellert's.

They Are Great Chasers.

Mayor Glidden and Sam Williams went hunting again today. They were gone over an hour and made two round trips on the ferryboat. Of course they came home loaded with game.

Six dinner tickets for \$1.00 at Walker's restaurant, 35 Gallia street. 23-3t

Chauntiqua Circle Meeting.

The Chauntiqua meeting will be held next Thursday evening, December 30th, instead of tonight. The circle will meet with Miss Stella Kerr, 81 East Third street.

The purest wines and liquors can be found at Jacob Findeis', corner Third and Market streets. 23-2t

Shelled Peanuts for Salting at Corson's. 21-3t.

FRAGMENTS.

Robert McAlear took the first degree
Massie Lodge K. of P. last night.

Will Reed is helping out at Heer
Bros. during the rush of holiday trade.

Burt, Pride & Hall expect to open
their ready made clothing department
the middle of January.

Henry Ruel butchered a fat pig to-
day with which he expects to feed his
patrons on Christmas day.

"Shine," the ex-bootblack and min-
strel man, is coining money as a "sand-
wich" advertising man.

A handsome boy came as a Christmas
present to Mr. and Mrs. Turvey, of 104
Court street, last evening.

The list for the New Years dance
will be scratched at Sanford & Var-
ner's Christmas morning at ten o'clock.

The number of Christmas packages
hailed by the express companies has
fallen off one-third compared with last
season.

By an oversight the name of Miss
Grace Andres was omitted in the list of
those who played at the recital given
under the auspices of the Portsmouth
Piano company.

OUT OF WHACK

Has Been the City Fire Alarm System for
Thirty-Six Hours.

The city fire alarm system has been
out of whack for 36 hours past and Chief
Williamson and his assistants have been
pulling their hair to locate the break.
It was finally found today at Eleventh
and Offener and repaired. Chief Wil-
liamson said that had a big fire occurred
in the past thirty-six hours it would
have been impossible to have reached it
before it had gained considerable head-
way. A new fire alarm system is an
imperative necessity according to Chief
Williamson.

IN A ROYAL WAY

The Stanton-Balmer Company Is Remem-
bering Its Patrons This Year.

The United States Express company
got a wagon load of curious looking
boxes and packages at the office of The
Stanton-Balmer & Co., on West Front
street this morning. Upon inquiry it
was found that this was the first instal-
ment of Christmas presents sent out by
the firm to their patrons. A bottle or
bottles of the "finest in the land" is sent
to each customer with the injunction to
eat, drink and be merry on the Stanton
Balmer Company. The bottles are
of extra glass and the labels the finest
specimens of the printers art and the
present is one to be appreciated.

When down town buy your candies
and fruits at Myers', 69 West Second
street. 21-4t

Look Here!

When you eat, can you afford to eat
anything but the very best? Buy
Knittel's candies, then you have it.
We now have our complete stock on
display and ready to give our best at-
tentions. Everything in our line is of
the best, and prices to suit quality. As
a specialty this week, we sell a num-
ber of our 30-cent candies at 20 cents
per pound. This price holds good un-
til Christmas only. Will make Boston
chips all day Friday. Come and pa-
tronize your old and reliable con-
fectioners, 21-3t KNITTEL'S.

Choice oranges, apples, bananas and
figs at Joe Sodaro's, 219 Chillicothe
street.

Slight Freight Wreck at Garrison.

There was a slight freight wreck on
the O. & O. near Garrison this morn-
ing. Freight traffic was delayed a few
hours, but all passenger trains came
through on time. The westbound flyer
was two hours late this afternoon on
account of heavy storms in the East.

Twenty-one meal tickets for \$3.00 at
Walker's restaurant, 35 Gallia street.

Water Works Board Meeting.

The water works board will meet
Monday afternoon next to consider and
award contracts for furnishing coal to
the water works plant for the coming
year.

Doll cabs at Fuller Bros.

Children's Home Presents.

All Christmas presents and articles
for the little ones at the Children's
Home should be left either at John G.
Peebles' or W. K. Thompson's, on Sec-
ond street.

Use "Superior" Canned Corn.

For five wrappers we will send you
our booklet, "How to Cook Canned
Goods." SEARS & NICHOLS.

Declared a Dividend.

The Southern Ohio Building and
Loan association, at a meeting of the
directors held last evening, declared a
dividend of five per cent.

Ice-wool shawls, best in the city, at
prices to suit you at Flora Dellert's.

UNDER THE AREA
COVERED BY.

Benson's Plaster pain rapidly
relieves, aching nerves are quieted,
the agony of Rheumatism sub-
sides and a healthy condition of
the affected parts is resumed.
Aches or Pains that have long re-
sisted all modes of internal treat-
ment often disappear in a few days
by the application of

Benson's
Plaster

These Plasters are to be employed
in all affections in which liniments,
ointments or other applications
have been resorted to. They excel
these things in efficiency and are
more

CLEANLY AND
CONVENIENT.

Be careful not to accept any worth-
less substitute or imitation in place
of the Genuine. Price 25 cents.
Seabury & Johnson, Mfg. Chem., N. Y.

Look
Here!

Good Purses for 10c, 15c, 20c, and
25c. Nice Christmas presents.
Dolls reduced to away below cost.
Celluloid goods at half price.
Our 10c tree ornaments at 2 for 15c;
5c ornaments 3 for 10c.
Candles at 10c per box.
Umbrellas at 50c, 75c and \$1.00.
25c bottle Perfume in celluloid case
for 19c.
Gentlemen's Silk Initial Handker-
chief for 25c.
Ice Wool Shawls for 25c.
All kinds of Toys at the very lowest
prices.

Kate Miller.



Guess How Many Nails.

\$200 in Gold

To be given to our customers
New Year's morning. Prizes
to be given to the first fifteen
persons guessing the nearest to
the number of nails in jar in our
window. A guess with each
purchase. Nails to be counted
New Year's morning by prom-
inent men. Nobody connected
with our store permitted to
make a guess.

A
HOLIDAY
DISPLAY.

Of Goods dear to the masculine heart. We are dis-
playing this week for those who wish to make
their male friends happy by gifts that will make
them "rise up and call you blessed."

*Fine Umbrellas,
Men's Driving and
Street Gloves, Canes,
Fine Suspenders,
Handkerchiefs,
Neckwear, etc., etc.*

BEN DAVIS,

One Price Clothier and Furnisher, 127 West Second Street.

Bargains For Friday.

25c Purses, all colors and styles, go at 19c.
25c Child's Double Wool Mittens go at 18c.
12c will buy a Fascinator, pink, blue, white, red or black.
50c Shopping Bag, extra large, go at 39c.
Endless line of Remnants Fancy Neck Ribbon.

Giving Away Linings, Etc.

With every Silk Waist Pattern we will give 2 yards good Silecia,
Whalebones and Casing, Hooks and Eyes.
Silks are already reduced. You will see prices in window.
\$1.25 Silk Mufflers go at 90c.
\$1.50 Silk Mufflers go at \$1.00.
No presents given on reduced goods.
These prices are for Friday only.

L. & E. Yaeger, Purcell & Bragdon
Bargain Givers of Portsmouth.
Kendall Block. Above Postoffice
STORE OPEN EVERY NIGHT.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—For city prop-
erty, farm of 160 acres in Harrison town-
ship, two miles east of Harrisonville.
Fifteen acres of good orchard, good house
and out-buildings and good water. A bar-
gain if sold within thirty days. Address
August Frowine, 260 East Eleventh street,
Portsmouth, Ohio. dec. 15 1m

JAMES S. THOMAS
Attorney-at-Law,
22 West Second Street

EVERY HOUSEKEEPER Needs us when they buy new
mattings, to lay them. We make mattresses and do all kinds of fine upholster-
ing. Carpets cleaned, renovated, sewed and relaid. We are the only house in
the city that does first class work. We also make rugs of old carpets.
The Portsmouth Upholstering and Carpet Renovating Co.,
69 GALLIA STREET.

Useful Christmas Gifts for Men.

NECKWEAR, HANDKERCHIEFS, GLOVES,
MUFFLERS, SUSPENDERS, HOSIERY,
UNDERWEAR, SHIRTS, COLLARS,
CUFFS, DRESS SHIELDS, HATS,
UMBRELLAS, CANES, FUR GLOVES.

A Gorgeous Display of Neckwear at 25c and 50c.

Guger Hats.

Harrington Hats.

Frank Legler,

Hatter and Outfitter for Men,

Opposite Postoffice.

GAGE IS NETTLED.

Doesn't Like Action of American Labor Federation.

HE WRITES A LETTER TO GOMPERS

While Admitting That He Is a Possible Victim of Ignorance, He Calls Attention to the Fact That There Might Also Be Some Ignorance Among Members of the Federation.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The following rather sarcastic letter has been sent to President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor by Secretary of the Treasury Gage:

I have read with care the resolutions adopted the 20th instant at Nashville by the convention of the Federation of Labor, which recite as follows:

"Resolved, That we declare ourselves most positively opposed to the Gage financial bill recently introduced in congress by the secretary of the treasury. It is a measure that if adopted as a law will only the more firmly rivet the gold standard on the people of the country and perpetuate its disastrous effects in every form."

"Resolved, That we pronounce the Gage bill an undisputed effort to retire our greenback currency and all government paper money, with a view to the substitution of national bank notes in their stead, and thus fasten the national bank system for years upon the American people."

Now, if it be true that the gold standard—by which things have been measured as to price for the last 60 years in this country—is inimical to the interests of the laboring classes of the United States, then I think it is inimical to all classes.

In other words, I do not believe that the exploitation of one class by another, either through false weights, partial laws, or a bad monetary system, can be made to work for the permanent benefit of the exploiting class itself, or for the general weal, even were it defensible on any ground of right or justice, which it is not.

Granted, therefore, that the permanence of the gold standard (for which I argue) operates in this evil direction, then your resolutions of condemnation are well founded, and I am justly charged, either with an ignorance which constitutes me a foolish adviser, or with a perversity of motive which makes me an evil adviser.

I have a right to disavow the charge of perversity or evil purpose, since there is nothing in my whole life, as related to my fellow-men, either in word or deed, from which the possession by me of such characteristics can be inferred, much less demonstrated. But ignorance often unconsciously works as deep injury as evil intent might do, and to this sin of ignorance (if it be a sin) I must confess myself to be a possible victim. This confession, however, ought not to classify me as separate from my fellow-men generally, whether they be considered as individual units or as congregated in groups.

Ignorance is a relative, not an absolute term, since few are totally ignorant, and none is absolutely wise. Nor does the number constituting the group change this fact, since the wisdom of a group, however large, cannot be greater than that of the wisest man in it.

This remains true, whether the subject matter involve knowledge and judgment be astronomy, physics or finance. The condemnation, then, involved in the resolutions referred to, is measured by the just or imperfect apprehension of questions relating to monetary science held by the wisest men who supported them.

Laying these general considerations aside, let me say to you, and through you to the great body of our honorably represented, that if, instead of denunciatory resolutions, which is not argument, you or any one on your behalf will show that the views I entertain and advocate are other than salutary to the great economic body of which we are all independent members, I will abandon them without hesitation.

My present conviction, the honest fruit of sincere study and reflection, is that a break-down in our present money standard would be a most disastrous blow to all our commercial and industrial interests, and that upon the wage workers, as a class, would be entailed the most serious effects of the disaster. Believing this, I must so bear witness.

Indians Disappointed.

Washington, Dec. 23.—A delegation of Cherokee Indians, consisting of W. A. Duncan, Simon Walkingstick, David Faulkner, Lacy Hawkins, J. M. Lahay and Shake Manus, is in the city for the purpose of securing a delay in the date at which federal judicial jurisdiction is to be extended over the Indian territory. Secretary Bliss told the delegation that the government could not accede to their wishes.

Impressive Funeral Services.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Impressive funeral services were held over the remains of Miss Leila Herbert at St. Andrew's Episcopal church, and were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Perry. The floral offerings were magnificent and numerous, and completely hid the black cloth casket containing the remains. Many persons prominent in army and navy, diplomatic and social circles were present.

Germany Barred Out.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The reciprocity negotiations between the United States and Germany are practically suspended. They never got beyond the initial stage. There appears to have been a willingness on the part of both governments to look into the subject, but the inquiry did not develop any prospect of material concessions on either side.

Scott Will Take Charge.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Mr. N. B. Scott, recently appointed commissioner of internal revenue, has notified the department that he will be in Washington on Dec. 27. It is expected that Mr. Scott will take charge of the office about Jan. 1. Mr. Forman, the present commissioner, will return to East St. Louis, Ill., and resume the practice of law.

Notes.

A special issue of stamps will commemorate the holding of the transmississippi exposition.

The Congressional club of Washington celebrated Forefathers' day by a dinner at the First Congressional church. The New England colony in Washington was well represented.

A handsome granite monument erected in Arlington National cemetery at the grave of Major General William W. Belknap, who was secretary of war during the administration of President Grant, was turned over to the government.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.



Will S. Andres, formerly press agent, has sent manager Grimes a number of photographs of himself, taken in full dress, as he announces the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. The pictures will be framed and hung in the lobby of the house. Andres is still with the Thompson Veriscope company, showing in Youngstown this week. A burlesque young man has been added to the show and Andres does a turn, exposing tricks with cards. The company will be in Portsmouth later in the season.

June Agnott plays "Myrtle Ferns," a strong play, tonight. Prices, 10, 20 and 30 cents.

The advance sale for "Twelve Temptations," the Friday night attraction at the Grand, started off well last night, a large number of seats being sold. To be sure of a good seat, drop in at White's and have your seat reserved. The company is one of the best of its kind on the road.

"One of the prettiest scenes in 'The Hoosier Doctor,' in which Digby Bell has achieved such a signal success, is presented at the close of the first act," said Manager Duncan B. Harrison, of the Digby Bell organization. "It occurs in this way: The Doctor's patients are in the main poor and needy and one in particular whom he is attending is positively poverty stricken and eventually dies, leaving her little child to the Doctor's care. The Doctor himself is exceedingly poor and has three grown daughters of his own to provide for and his mother-in-law, yet carries the little waif in his arms to his impoverished home, and in answer to the interrogation of his shrewish mother-in-law as to his intended disposition of the child, answers simply, 'I've adopted her.' And the little baby stretches her hands pleadingly toward the seaming bowl of soup upon the table, indicating its acute hunger; then that one touch of nature which makes the whole world kin demonstrates itself and they all cluster round to help relieve the needs of the poor little waif, and the cradled virago mother-in-law is most demonstrative in her efforts to succor and provide. The scene is simple, unstrained and natural and therefore extremely effective."

The Chicago Tribune, in speaking of Yale's "Twelve Temptations," which will be at the Grand Friday night, says:

"At the Haymarket last evening a production of spectacular, very pretentious, was given to the patrons of this West Side theater. It was the fifth edition of Chas. H. Yale's dramatic, pantomimic and ballet spectacle. Since presented here last the piece has undergone such a thorough rejuvenation that one can scarcely recognize it in its new dress. The story has been changed, as also the pantomimic characters, the ballets, the specialties and the scenery. The costumes were rich and tasteful; the songs original and catchy, while the machinery and mechanical contrivances were very effective. There is no question but what the Haymarket is in for one of its largest weeks of the season. The engagement is for one week, with Wednesday and Saturday matinees."

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is pleasant to take, positively harmless to the most delicate constitution, and absolutely sure to cure the most obstinate cough or cold. A household boon.

Every Mother Wants. Chappell's Bronchinal. The Great Cough Cure. Bronchinal Cures Croup. Bronchinal Cures Cough. Bronchinal Cures Sore Throat. Bronchinal Cures Lung Disease. Bronchinal Stops Cough Instantly. Bronchinal Relieves Asthma Quickly. Bronchinal sold on a guarantee. Large bottles, 50; small size, 25 cents.

Sold by Fisher & Streich.

Dyspepsia, Heartburn, Gastritis, and all Stomach Disorders positively cured. Grover Graham's Dyspepsia Remedy is a specific. One dose removes all distress, and a permanent cure of the most obtrusive and severe cases is guaranteed. Do not suffer! A 50 cent bottle will convince the most skeptical.

J. F. DAVIS DRUG CO.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by Wurster Bros., Druggists, Portsmouth, Ohio.

BE SURE you get what you want when you ask for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Unequalled in Merit, Sales, Cures. There's no substitute for HOOD'S.

Have you made a selection?

Do you know what you want to get?

If there is the least doubt about it, come in and see our fine stock of Goods.

ONLY A LITTLE WHILE YET UNTIL THE DAY FOR GIVING PRESENTS IS AT HAND.

A fine line of Clothing, Overcoats, Underwear, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Hats, Caps, Telescopes, Valises, Shirts, Mackintoshes, Collars, Cuffs, etc., at the most reasonable prices.

Every \$5 purchase entitles you to a Silk Muffler.

Every \$10 purchase entitles you to a Silk Umbrella.

THE FAMOUS

FRED STRAUS, Prop,
133 West Second Street.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

At Chas. Winter's Bargain House.

Men's Fancy Slippers,
Men's Fancy Shoes,
Men's Fancy Shirts,
Men's Fancy Undershirts,
Men's Fancy Neckwear.

Ladies' Fancy Slippers
Ladies' Warm Lined, Fur Top Slippers
Ladies' Warm Lined, Felt Bottom Slippers
Ladies' Fancy Umbrellas.

All kinds of Fancy Holiday Goods on display.

CHAS. WINTER'S

Bargain House. 509 Chillicothe Street

It Is Time

To think of the Christmas present you are going to give your wife, your husband or your friend.

Something Useful

Will be more appreciated and will make you feel better for having given it.

Your Wife

Would appreciate nothing more than a handsome heater or a nice range or cook stove. We have these and a thousand and one other things both useful and ornamental. Coal Vases, Fire Sets, Cooking Utensils of every kind will be found in our stock. Come in and see us. We can please you both in goods and prices.

STORCK & HOPKINS,

114 West Second Street.

Royal Savings and Loan Association Co., OF PORTSMOUTH, OHIO.

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JNO. K. DUKE, Secretary.

Lumber, Laths, Shingles

At Lowest Prices.

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Corner Washington and Ninth Streets.

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Holiday Goods, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Brush and Comb Sets, Picture Frames, Handsome Mirrors, Ladies' Pocket Books, Opera Glasses, Rubber Babies, Mandolins, Guitars, Violins, Banjos, French Harps, Etc. Huyler's Candies, 1 to 5 lb. boxes.

NYE

Pure, Fresh, Clean Drugs.

Dusky Diamonds

Send out a sparkle that surpasses the scintillation of any other gem

When the Weather is Cold.

Some times you can not get them on the spur of the moment, so you had better see

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City of Mexico, Dec. 23.—The national meteorological observatory reports much seismic activity on the western coast, where there were earthquakes at Santa Cruz, the Pacific terminus of the Tehuantepec railway; at Tehuantepec, Jiltepec, Juchitán and the city of Oaxaca, where there was a prolonged subterranean roaring, causing some consternation. The movement was both horizontal and vertical.

Scientists regard the very frequently reported phenomena with much interest, and the belief is expressed among them that either there is a subsidence or rise of the coast going on, but not accurately determined yet.

There has been seismic activity in all that region for two years, it even being noticed at sea by fishermen along the coast.

Smyrna Trembles. Constantinople, Dec. 23.—A number of earthquakes, increasing in intensity, have occurred around Smyrna, Asia Minor. Already considerable damage has been done, and some persons have been killed and many injured.

Another Filibustering Expedition. New York, Dec. 23.—During the thick fog of the early morning of last Saturday the schooner James M. Haskell slipped quietly from her pier fastenings in the Erie basin, turned her nose toward the bay, evaded the customs officers, and under the mantle of the fog began her fourth filibustering expedition to Cuba, carrying 500,000 rounds of ammunition and 2,000 rifles.

Engagement Announced. New York, Dec. 23.—The engagement of Blanche Siegel, daughter of Gerson Siegel, vice president of the Siegel-Cooper company, to Frank E. Vogel, a member of the packing firm of Nelson Morris, is announced. The date of the wedding has not been announced, but it is the intention of the young people to be married in March or April.

The Consumers Pay It. Pittsburg, Dec. 23.—It is learned that the American Windowglass company, which controls the output of the windowglass plants of the country, will advance prices in proportion to the increase in wages recently granted the workers. This means an advance of about 15 per cent over the prices existing before the lockout began.

Aranguren Promoted. Havana, Dec. 23.—All the best informed persons deny that Aranguren was killed with Ruiz. On the contrary, there is good authority for the report that immediately after Ruiz was macheted Aranguren was promoted from the rank of Colonel to that of brigadier general.

New Assistant Comptroller. Washington, Dec. 23.—It is understood that Leander P. Michael of Indiana will soon be appointed by the president assistant comptroller of the treasury in place of Mr. Bowers, resigned.

Cornerstone Laid. Asheville, N. C., Dec. 23.—The cornerstone of a monument to be erected to the memory of the late Zebulon Baird Vance was laid on the public square with Masonic ceremonies.

Three Persons Poisoned. Wellston, O., Dec. 23.—Three persons were poisoned by eating hoghead cheese. They are in a critical condition.

Walked on the Track. Clinton, O., Dec. 23.—Stephen Latham, 70, was struck and killed by a train while walking on the tracks.

Drank Chloral and Died. New York, Dec. 23.—A man who registered as Edward Irving, but whose proper name is supposed to have been Edward J. Epstein, committed suicide at the Mills hotel by drinking chloral. He was about 46 years of age.

Broke His Own Record. Milwaukee, Dec. 23.—Walter G. Sanger broke his own world's indoor record for half a mile unpaired, riding the distance in one minute flat.

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THERE WAS NO TROUBLE.

Ohio Miners Who Went to West Virginia Were Enjoined. Pomeroy, Dec. 23.—The expected invasion of Ohio miners into West Virginia to stop the nonunion miners from working at the New Haven was a failure. The 100 who did get there were served with injunctions by United States deputy marshals, restraining them from going onto the premises of the Consumers and Coal Mining company. Fifty nonunion men worked in the mines undisturbed.

Placed Under Bond. Cincinnati, O., Dec. 23.—A riot occurred in the courthouse during a trial, and six men were arrested for participating in a row. Elijah Brown received six cuts, one eight inches long and two inches deep. Flyte Teeters was struck with an earthen spittoon and his skull fractured. David Donahue, Nelson Ervin and Henry Teeters were put under a bond of \$1,000 for attempted murder, and the others were discharged.

Inter-City Carnival. Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—Twenty-five hundred people at the Ohio National Guard armory witnessed the inter-city athletic carnival between Cincinnati and Cleveland. Cleveland sent a large delegation with her representative athletes, and before the evening's sport started was confident of winning a majority of the contests. The Cincinnati, however, made a clean sweep.

Standish Was a Catholic. Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—At the New England dinner there were 60 guests. Dr. T. S. Connor acted as chairman. Among the guests was Dr. Miles Standish of Boston, who responded to "New England on the Sea." In the course of his remarks he said Captain Standish was a Catholic, and he believed he died a Catholic.

Shipyard Bound Over. Cleveland, Dec. 23.—John J. Shipherd, the broker who is charged with embezzlement by Frank De Haas Robinson, was bound over to the common pleas court by Justice Bauder in the sum of \$10,000. Bond was furnished for the amount and Shipherd was released.

Welcome Christmas Gift. Chillicothe, O., Dec. 23.—Simon Brelrig, employed as a machinist in the shops of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern here, received notice that an estate at Wittenberg, Germany, valued at \$10,000, had been left to him by a half-brother, Clement Seiler.

Got Her Share. Chillicothe, O., Dec. 23.—In the suit for alimony brought by Mrs. George Clough against her husband, Judge Maynard handed down a decision allowing the plaintiff an unnumbered third of a \$45,000 farm and \$2,500 in money.

Ady Wants Out. Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—A. C. Ady, the real estate broker and builder of this city who is serving a term in the penitentiary for crooked deals, has filed his papers for parole. The warden has not recommended him.

Had Plenty of Money. Delphos, O., Dec. 23.—In the living room of Mrs. Barbara Ficker, who was found dead in a hayloft, where she had gone to hunt eggs, was found nearly \$10,000. She was not known to have any money.

On a Protracted Bank. Adelphi, N. C., Dec. 23.—On application of his wife a guardian was appointed for George Combs, formerly a general merchant, who, it is alleged, has not drawn a sober breath for a year.

Who Has the Power? Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—Specific charges are made that anti-Hanna men are offering members of the legislature control of state patronage if they will vote against the senator.

Mysteriously Missing. Toledo, Dec. 23.—Leslie M. Folger, who has a wife and child at Gloucester C. H., Va., disappeared from a hotel here Dec. 12, and it is feared he suicided by drowning.

Resulted in Murder. Dayton, O., Dec. 23.—John Delp, whose skull was fractured with a shovel in the hands of William Strother, is dead.

Coon Hunter's Long Fall. Wooster, O., Dec. 23.—While climbing after a coon Howard Lance fell 60 feet and was probably fatally injured.

Eight Murders. Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—There have been eight murders committed in Franklin county during the year.

Seriously Burned. Deerfield, O., Dec. 23.—George Brooks and Joseph Adams were seriously burned by an explosion in a mine.

Fatally Burned. Springfield, O., Dec. 23.—Miss Lou Dowell is dead as the result of a gas-oline explosion.

Fell Under a Train. Cecil, O., Dec. 23.—An unknown woman slipped and fell under a train and was killed.

Tree Fell on Him. Shawnee, O., Dec. 23.—A. Y. Patton was killed by a falling tree.

Parliament Called. Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The Canadian parliament has been called to meet on Feb. 3.

PROTEST ENTERED.

Colored Citizens of Savannah Stand Upon Their Rights. Savannah, Ga., Dec. 23.—About 400 colored citizens of Savannah held a meeting to take action with regard to resolutions passed by the Cotton Exchange and board of trade protesting against the appointment of negroes to office here. Resolutions were passed saying that the Cotton Exchange resolutions were unjust and unfair.

New Bank For Honolulu. Honolulu, Dec. 23.—Announcement has been made that another bank will be established in this city shortly after the first of the year. The new concern is to be a branch of the big Peking Bank company. This company started in Tien Tsin, and has branches in Hongkong, Amoy and other cities in China. One of the officials of the China Banking company will arrive in Honolulu soon after the holidays to complete all arrangements for opening the bank.

Last of Lexow Cases. New York, Dec. 23.—The last of the police cases which grew out of the famous Lexow committee investigations was dismissed upon the recommendation of District Attorney Olcott. It was the case of former Wardman James Burns, who was accused of bribery, and who forfeited his bail of \$5,000 and went to Europe.

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1 lb. Raisins or Prunes.....5 c
1 pkg. Dunham's Coconut.....5 c
1 pkg. Corn Starch.....5 c
1 lb. good Baking Powder.....5 c
1 pkg. Rolled Oats.....5 c
1 lb. good Candy.....5c 10c and 15 c
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2 boxes best Bag Bites.....5 c
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1 box Butter Milk Soap.....5 c
1 lb. Country Lard.....5 c
1 lb. Bacon.....5 c
1 sack good Flour.....45c 50c 60c and 65 c
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Filberts X X X.....10 c
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There were thirty-eight out of the forty-two enrolled present and it can be said that they enjoyed themselves thoroughly. The four children not present were sick and the presents were sent to their homes. The little tots will long remember this Christmas of 1897.

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AN EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE

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The performance given at the opera house last night by the June Agnost company was far beyond the average show which visits Portsmouth. The play, "Libby Prison," was well portrayed and the audience, a very poor one, received a treat. The company deserved a full house for the excellent performance presented. The four-in-hand quartette was especially fine and the orchestra rendered some very beautiful selections between acts. All present were delighted with the performance and expressed their pleasure in these words: "I did not expect to see such a fine show for so little money." The company will present "Myrtle Ferns" at the opera house tonight.

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It is understood that Hon. Theo. K. Funk will have no opposition in his race for the presidency of the Blaine club. Mr. Clifton, who was a candidate, has decided to withdraw, giving Mr. Funk a clear field.

Do not fail to examine the stock of Christmas toys at H. D. Oberling's, 815 and 317 Chillicothe street.

Fine pocket-books—the finest Christmas presents—at Sobless & Co.'s.

Nails Counted Tomorrow

The jar of nails in the window of Frank Glockner will be counted tomorrow morning and the winner of the Peninsular steel range offered as a prize to the best guesser will be announced.

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